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INVENTION: METHOD AND RADIO COMMUNICATION SYSTEM FOR
PROVIDING A CONTROL CHANNEL

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the references listed on Form PTO-1449, copies of which are enclosed herewith in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98, be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States Patent.

Document AN, German DE 198 27 700 C1 is directed to an organization information transmission method for a radio communication system for transmitting information within time slots which form a frame in information whose transmission can be suppressed by a base station.

Document AO, German DE 196 29 899 C1 relates to a time division duplex mobile communication method with a selectively interrupting logic control channel and replacing it by a further traffic channel that occupies a same time slot for temporarily increasing speech capacity.

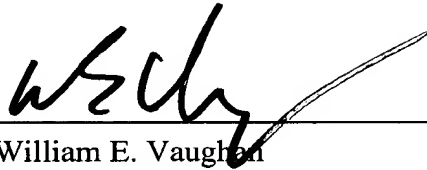
Applicants respectfully submit that the claimed invention is distinguishable and non-obvious over the enclosed references, taken singly or in combination.

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Accordingly, early consideration and allowance of the application,
including the claims, are hereby requested.

Respectfully Submitted,



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